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Title : VACUUM CLEANER WITH PIVOTAL FIXTURE FOR DUST BAG  
REINFORCING PLATE IN A DUST BAG COMPARTMENT

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

U.S. Patent No. 5,755,009 (Stephens et al.), dated May 26, 1998;

U.S. Patent No. 4,733,430 (Westergren), dated March 29, 1988;

U.S. Patent No. 4,591,369 (Stewart, Sr. et al.), dated May 27, 1986;

U.S. Patent No. 3,328,942 (Waters), dated July 4, 1967;

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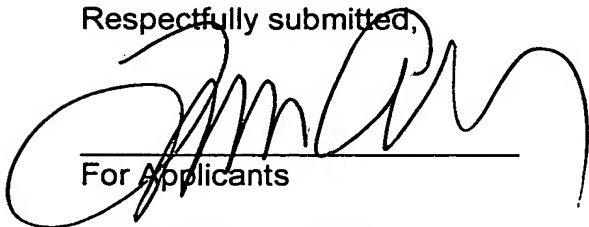
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Respectfully submitted,

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